

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Mardh	
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Customer No.: 057381	

Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of April 24, 2006, please amend this application as follows:

**Amendment to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which beings on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.